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Appln. No: 09/381,996
Applicant: Masazumi Yamada, et al.
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Title: DATA RECORDING/REPRODUCING METHOD, DATA RECORDING/
REPRODUCING SYSTEM, RECORDING APPARATUS (AS AMENDED)
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Expedited Procedure

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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action dated August 3, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- ☐ **Amendments to the Title** begin on page of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet(s).
- ☐ **Amendments to the Abstract** are on page of this paper. A clean version of the Abstract is on page of this paper.
- ☒ **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14 of this paper.